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Applicants request that the period for response be extended three months through and including May 12, 1999. An Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.111 accompanies this Petition. Please charge the fee of \$435.00 to Deposit Account 19-0065.

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